

As many of you know, the Hydroelectric Design Center (HDC) is reorganizing to improve our ability to produce quality hydropower and large pump station engineering services and products.

The new organization stood up on 2 October and consists of three new branches: Product Coordination (PC), Electrical (E), and Mechanical/Structural (M/S). This structure replaces the Pacific, Central, Atlantic and Technical Services Branches. The new configuration aligns with the Project Management Business Process and enhances HDC's ability to produce quality services and products, maintain technical expertise, manage work, and improve communication and customer support.

Our new PC Branch will be the primary organization responsible for work initiation and development, scoping and PMP development, work management, customer support and internal project oversight. The PC Branch will matrix in resources from our technical components (E and M/S Branches), as well as other resources (A/E contractor, other district staff, etc). While this may change Product Coordinators managing specific jobs, we do not expect significant changes to the staff engineers assigned to current work. We want to continue to encourage communication of technical issues between District and HDC technical staff. As members of Project Delivery Teams, HDC staff will continue focus on collaborating to find excellent technical solutions delivered time and within budget, improving business processes, maintaining and building relationships, discussing changes and issues, and addressing concerns as they come up.

Attached for your use is our most current HDC phone list identifying where staff are located in the new structure and their extensions.

Our intent is for our reconfiguration to be as seamless as possible for the organizations we serve. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of HDC's management team:

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